

Production and Stocks of Titanium Dioxide: February 2003

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Table 1. Summary of Production and Stocks of Titanium Dioxide
[Quantity in short tons]

Month and year	Production	Stocks 1/
Year-to-date:		
2003.....	247,350	(X)
2002.....	233,987	(X)
2003		
February.....	122,170	157,980
January.....	125,180	150,769
2002		
Total.....	1,553,513	(X)
December.....	136,108	150,537
November.....	123,359	137,502
October.....	133,689	131,917
September.....	126,325	135,885
August.....	132,345	143,872
July.....	137,273	151,551
June.....	128,684	151,118
May.....	139,574	158,106
April.....	132,375	154,603
March.....	129,794	173,533
February.....	111,890	170,380
January.....	122,097	166,930

X Not applicable.

1/Represents total stocks of producing companies at end of period, including amounts held at locations other than producing plants.

Table 2. Summary of Production, Exports, Imports, and Apparent Consumption of Titanium Dioxide
[Short tons]

Month	Quantity produced	Change in stocks 1/	Exports of domestic merchan- dise 2/	Imports for consump- tion 3/	Apparent consump- tion 4/	Percent imports to apparent consumption
2003						
February.....	122,170	7,211	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
January.....	125,180	232	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
2002						
Total.....	1,553,513	(24,866)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
December.....	136,108	13,035	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
November.....	123,359	5,585	51,873	18,296	84,198	21.7
October.....	133,689	(3,968)	56,902	20,999	101,754	20.6
September.....	126,325	(7,987)	54,428	21,750	102,195	21.3
August.....	132,345	(7,679)	54,053	22,788	108,759	21.0
July.....	137,273	433	50,851	21,586	107,575	20.1
June.....	128,684	(6,988)	52,349	20,778	104,102	20.0
May.....	139,574	3,503	53,221	23,089	105,938	21.8
April.....	132,375	(18,930)	49,534	25,725	127,496	20.2
March.....	129,794	3,153	45,457	21,666	102,850	21.1
February.....	111,890	3,450	39,834	19,499	88,105	22.1
January.....	122,097	(8,473)	33,094	22,466	119,942	18.7

NA Not available.

1/Change in stocks is derived by subtracting the prior month's ending stocks from the current month's ending stocks.

2/Source: Census Bureau report EM 545, U.S. Exports; HTSUSA codes 2823.00.0000 (November 2002, 1,718,522 kg), 3206.11.0000 (November 2002, 42,964,715 kg), 3206.19.0000 (November 2002, 2,374,763 kg).

3/Source: Census Bureau report IM 146, U.S. Imports for Consumption; HTSUSA codes 2823.00.0000 (November 2002, 2,837,870 kg), 3206.11.0000 (November 2002, 13,443,767 kg), 3206.19.0000 (November 2002, 316,641 kg).

4/Apparent consumption represents new domestic supply and is derived by subtracting exports and change in stocks from the total of manufacturers' production plus imports.

Note: Export codes based on the Harmonized System-based Schedule B are 2823.00.0000, titanium oxides; 3206.11.0000, pigments and preparations containing 80 percent or more titanium dioxide; and 3206.19.0000, pigments and preparations based on titanium dioxide, other. The import codes based on the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States are 2823.00.0000, titanium oxides; and 3206.11.0000, pigments and preparations containing 80 percent or more titanium dioxide; and 3206.19.0000, pigments and preparations based on titanium dioxide, other.